

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC. (SUCCESSOR TO GTE MIDWEST INCORPORATED), AND MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.	DOCKET NO. NIA-00-41
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**ORDER DOCKETING NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT FOR COMMENTS**

(Issued August 7, 2000)

On July 21, 2000, Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc. (successor to GTE Midwest Incorporated), and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., filed a negotiated interconnection agreement for review by the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). The proceeding will be identified as Docket No. NIA-00-41.

The parties to the negotiation or any other interested party may submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing under 199 IAC 38.7(4). Accordingly, the Board will accept written comments on or before August 21, 2000. The Board will determine what procedures are appropriate for review of the agreement after any comments are filed. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4), the Board must approve or reject the interconnection

agreement within 90 days of the submission of the agreement or the agreement will be deemed approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The proceeding to review the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on July 21, 2000, by Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc. (successor to GTE Midwest Incorporated), and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., shall be identified as Docket No. NIA-00-41.

2. Comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement by the parties to the negotiation or other interested parties shall be filed on or before August 21, 2000.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary, Deputy

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 7th day of August, 2000.